### **FIREFIGHTER**

(Competitive Class)

## DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS

This is entry-level work in receiving training for and in performing work in combating and extinguishing fires and performing rescue and first aid work in these and other emergencies. Employees of this class attend a systematic program of introductory training in fire control and associated rescue work. They perform hazardous tasks under emergency conditions which may require strenuous exertion in fire, heat, smoke, and cramped surroundings. Although firefighting and rescue work are the most difficult and responsible activities, a major portion of duty time is spent in drills and study and in performing routine duties in the care and maintenance of fire department property and equipment. Work is performed in accordance with explicit instructions and well defined procedures under the guidance and observation of a higher level officer. A Fire Captain assigns routine, daily duties and provides guidance and training in day-to-day activities; employees of this class report to and are supervised and evaluated by a Fire Captain.

#### EXAMPLES OF WORK

Examples listed below are illustrative only. They are not intended to include all duties which may be assigned, neither are they intended to exclude other duties which may be logical assignments to this class.

Responds to alarms of fire and other emergencies; lays out and connects hose and nozzle; directs water stream; carries, raises, and climbs ladders; uses and operates various types of firefighting implements and equipment.

Extricates persons from accidents and removes persons from danger; administers first aid to the injured; performs salvage operations, placing covers, sweeping water, and removing debris.

Attends company drills in fire station training school; receives instruction in and studies materials related to firefighting and rescue methods, first aid, street and hydrant locations, and the use of fire suppression and rescue apparatus and equipment.

Performs any related duties assigned.

# QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Unless otherwise specified, all requirements listed below must be met by the filing deadline for application for admission to the test.

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Must meet all requirements of the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Law, including being a citizen of the United States.

Must have no felony convictions.

Applicant must possess one of the following: high school diploma, high school equivalency certificate, high school transcript, affidavit from the issuing high school, associate's or bachelor's degree, or college transcript, any one of which must indicate that graduation has occurred or a degree awarded. A certification of completion shall not be sufficient to substitute for a diploma or equivalency certificate.

Must possess a valid motor vehicle operator's license issued by the State of Louisiana upon offer of employment.

After offer of either employment or promotion to a position must meet and maintain any medical and physical fitness standards designed to demonstrate good health and the physical ability to perform the essential duties of the position, with or without accommodation, as determined by a qualified medical physician and administered by the Appointing Authority.

## SPECIAL QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

At any time during the probationary period, an employee will not be eligible for continued employment if the employee:

Fails to successfully complete the basic Firefighter Academy, and/or

Fails to successfully complete the Louisiana Firefighter Certification System test for certification at the Firefighter I level.

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